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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

William D. Rupp

Application No.: 09/753,329

Filed: December 29, 2000

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR For:

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Examiner:

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a two month extension of time to file this response to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2005. The extended period is set to expire on February 28, 2006. A check in the amount of \$450.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a two month extension of time.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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